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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 CFR 1.53(b) are the specification and claims of the nonprovisional patent application of:

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DIRECTORY SEARCHING METHODS AND SYSTEMS

Title of Invention

APPLICATION ELEMENTS ENCLOSED:

1. X Specification (total pages 22) including:a. 5 pages of claims (28 claims)b. 1 pages Abstract2. X 5 sheets of X informal formal drawings (Figs. 1A-5)3. Oath or declaration of Applicant(s) (total pages)a. Newly executed (original or copy)b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))

(for continuation/divisional with Item 14 completed)

4. Deletion of Inventor(s)

Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b)

5. Incorporation By Reference

The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied in item 3b is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

6. Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)

APPLICATION PARTS ENCLOSED:

7. An assignment of the invention to (cover sheet & document(s))8. 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee)9. Power of Attorneya. Newly executed (original or copy)b. Copy from a prior application

10. ___ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449

___ Copies of IDS Citations

11. ___ A Preliminary Amendment

12. X Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)

13. ___ A small entity statement under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27

___ Statement filed in prior application, status still proper and desired

14. X If a Continuing Application, *check the appropriate box and supply the requisite information:*

☐ Continuation of prior application No.: _____ filed _____

☐ Divisional of prior application No.: _____ filed _____

☒ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior U.S. application Serial No. 09/427,267 filed October 26, 1999, which is a divisional of U.S. application Serial No. 08/793,575 filed February 28, 1997, now U.S. Patent 6,052,681, which is a National Stage of International Application No. PCT/AU95/00560 filed August 30, 1995.

15. ___ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line of page one: --This is a ___ continuation ___ divisional of application Serial No. _____ filed _____.--

16. X Priority of application Nos. PQ6785 filed in Australia on April 7, 2000. Applicant hereby claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119.

X A certified copy of priority application No. PQ6785 will be submitted in due course.

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